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AT the Court at St. *James's* the 27th Day of *January* 1756,

PRESENT,

The KING's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHereas the Time limited by His Majeſty's Order in Council, of the 18th of December laſt, for paying the reſpective Bounties therein mentioned, to all Able and Ordinary Seamen, and alſo to all Able-bodied Landmen, who ſhould voluntarily enter themſelves in His Majeſty's Royal Navy; And likewiſe for paying the Rewards to Perſons diſcovering Seamen who ſhould conceal themſelves, will expire upon the 31ſt Day of this Inſtant January— And whereas it is judged expedient for His Majeſty's Service, That the Bounties and Rewards thereby given ſhould be continued to be paid for ſome Time longer: — His Majeſty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby Order, that the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years; and of Thirty Shillings for every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty-five, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, be continued to be paid to ſuch Seamen and Landmen reſpectively, who ſhall, on or before the 29th Day of February next, enter themſelves in the Royal Navy, in the Manner directed by His Majeſty's Proclamation of the 11th Day of November laſt. And likewiſe that the Rewards of Two Pounds for every Able, and Twenty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, be continued to be paid to any Perſons who ſhall, on or before the ſaid 29th Day of February next, diſcover any Seaman or Seamen, who ſhall conceal themſelves, ſo as ſuch Seaman or Seamen be taken for His Majeſty's Service. Whereof all Perſons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themſelves accordingly. *W. Sharpe.*

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Rome, January 24. By the laſt Letters from Ancona we were informed, that on the 5th Inſtant they had felt there a Shock of an Earthquake, which however pretty ſtrong, had occaſioned no Damage. On the 22d, by the Weekly Spaniſh Courier for Naples, the Conſtable Colonna received the Order of the Toiſon d'Or, which his Catholick Majeſty has honoured him with. The Commander Vettori having compleated a Collection of Antiquities, he has preſented the ſame to the Pope, who, as a Mark of Satisfaction, has aſſigned to the Commander 100 Crowns per Month during his Life, and has cauſed the Collection to be placed in the Vatican.

Turin, Jan. 31. This Day the Dutcheſs of Savoy was brought to Bed of a Princeſs; and her Royal Highneſs is as well as can be expected. A three Days Faſt was obſerved here this Week with great Solemnity, to return Thanks for this City's having been preſerved from the Misfortunes that have attended moſt other Places where any Earthquake has been felt. On the 23d of this Month there was a ſlight Earthquake at Aſti; and on the 24th there were two other Shocks, which did no Damage, but only alarm'd the Inhabitants.

Florence, Jan. 31. On the 19th Inſtant this Regency ſent back to Vienna the Courier which a few Days before they had received with the Emperor's Commands to deſtroy the Works they had cauſed lately to be made at the Lake of Bientina, and on the Serezza, to the great Prejudice of the State of Lucca; in Conſequence of which, the Regency has ordered a Sluice to be opened, which though in ſome ſmall Degree carries off the Waters, yet does not totally relieve them from the Inconveniences which they ſuffer by their Land being overflowed. The Genoeſe have contracted with this Regency for the Purchaſe of a large Quantity of Trees out of the Foreſt of the Maremma of Siena, for building of Ships. On the 26th a Courier from Germany paſſed by here on his Journey to Rome, with Notice of the Deceaſe, on the 18th Inſtant, of the Elector of Treves.

The Circuits appointed for the Lent Aſſizes are as follow, *viz.*

Northern Circuit.

Lord Chief Juſtice *Ryder.*
Mr. Juſtice *Birch.*

Lancaſhire, Monday March 15, at the Caſtle of *Lancaſter.*
City of York, Tueſday March 23, at the Guild-hall of the ſaid City.
Yorkſhire, The ſame Day, at the Caſtle of *York.*

Norfolk Circuit.

Lord Chief Juſtice *Wilkes.*
Mr. Juſtice *Clive.*

Bucks, Monday March 8, at *Ailesbury.*
Bedford, Thurſday March 11, at *Bedford.*
Huntingdon, Saturday March 13, at *Huntingdon.*
Cambridge, Monday March 15, at *Cambridge.*
Norfolk, Thurſday March 18, at *Thetford.*
Suffolk, Monday March 22, at *Bury St. Edmund's.*

Midland Circuit.

Lord Chief Baron *Parker.*
Mr. Baron *Smythe.*

Rutland, Friday March 5, at *Oakham.*
City of Lincoln, Monday March 8, at the City of *Lincoln.*
Lincoln, The ſame Day, at the Caſtle of *Lincoln.*
Nottingham, Friday March 12, at *Nottingham.*
Town of Nottingham, Saturday March 13, at the Town of *Nottingham.*
Derby, Tueſday March 16, at *Derby.*
Leiceſter, Friday March 19, at the Caſtle of *Leiceſter.*
Borough of Leiceſter, Saturday March 20, at the Borough of *Leiceſter.*
Northampton, Tueſday March 23, at *Northampton.*
City of Coventry, Friday March 26, at the City of *Coventry.*
Warwick, Saturday March 27, at *Warwick.*

Home Circuit.

Mr. Juſtice *Deniſon.*
Mr. Juſtice *Foſter.*

Hertford, Wedneſday March 10, at *Hertford.*
Eſſex, Monday March 15, at *Chelmsford.*
Kent, Monday March 22, at *Rocheſter.*
Suſſex, Monday March 29, at *Eaſt Grinſted.*
Surry, Thurſday April 1, at *Kingſton upon Thames.*

Oxford Circuit.

Mr. Baron *Legge.*
Mr. Juſtice *Wilmot.*

Berks, Monday March 8, at *Reading.*
Oxon, Wedneſday March 10, at *Oxford.*
Worceſter, Saturday March 13, at *Worceſter.*
City of Worceſter, The ſame Day, at the City of *Worceſter.*
Glouceſter, Wedneſday March 17, at *Glouceſter.*
City of Glouceſter, The ſame Day, at the City of *Glouceſter.*
Monmouth, Monday March 22, at *Monmouth.*
Hereford, Wedneſday March 24, at *Hereford.*
Salop, Tueſday March 30, at *Shrewsbury.*
Stafford, Saturday April 3, at *Stafford.*

Weſtern Circuit.

Mr. Baron *Adams.*
Mr. Juſtice *Bathurſt.*

Southampton, Tueſday March 9, at the Caſtle of *Wincheſter.*
Wilts, Saturday March 13, at *New Sarum.*
Dorſet, Thurſday March 18, at *Dorcheſter.*
Cornwall, Wedneſday March 24, at *Launceſton.*
City of Exeter, Monday March 29, at the Guild-hall of the ſaid City.
Devon, The ſame Day, at the Caſtle of *Exeter.*
Somerſet, Monday April 5, at the Caſtle of *Taunton.*

Whitehall, Feb. 14, 1756.

Whereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That a Letter, directed to John Lewis, Beadle of Iſleworth, in the County of Middleſex, was, on the 10th Day of January laſt paſt, received by him, and found to contain the Words and Figures following, viz. " Plymouth January 5. 1755.—Sir, This comes with " my humbel Service to You I would have you " prepear Yourſelf a Coffin and Shrowd againſt " Peace and the Bell to ring for You to carey " you to Hell give my humbel reſpects to Mr. " John Burcett and tell Him the Same, my Love to " Your Wife to which I have had many Start with " ſo no more from Your Ever Laſting Damnation " Seas You."—*And that it is apprehended that the Name John Burcett, in the ſaid Letter, was intended to denote John Derbyſhire Birkhead, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace, acting for the ſaid County, and living in the ſaid Pariſh; and that ſuch Letter was contrived, and wrote, by ſome malicious Perſon, or Perſons, there, as the ſaid Mr. Birkhead has had, within three Years paſt, ſeveral private Injuries done to his Property, and ſcandalous Papers have been affixed up, in the ſaid Pariſh, reflecting on him for having done his Duty as a Magiſtrate: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering, and bringing to Juſtice, the Perſon, or Perſons, principally concerned in contriving and writing the ſaid Letter, is pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon, and alſo a Reward of One Hundred Pounds, to any one of them (except the Perſon who actually wrote the ſaid Letter,) who ſhall diſcover his, or her, Accomplice, or Accomplices in contriving and writing the ſame, ſo that he, ſhe, or they, being principally concerned in the ſaid Facts, may be apprehended and convicted thereof: The ſaid Reward, of One Hundred Pounds to be paid by the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury.*

Treaſury, to the Perſon making ſuch Diſcovery as aforeſaid, upon the Conviction of one, or more of the Offenders. HOLDERNESSE.

And, as a farther Encouragement, I, the ſaid John Derbyſhire Birkhead, of Iſleworth, in the County of Middleſex, do, hereby promiſe a Reward of Twenty Pounds to the Perſon making ſuch Diſcovery as aforeſaid, to be paid, by me, upon the Conviction of one or more of the Offenders.

John Derbyſhire Birkhead.

Whitehall, February 16, 1756.

Whereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That on Sunday laſt, about the Hour of Nine at Night, James Moore, a Priſoner in the Gatehouſe Priſon, Weſtminſter, and committed there for ſtealing, out of the Stables of William Underwood, a Brown Gelding, and a bright Bay Mare out of the Stables of George Williams, did make his Eſcape out of the ſaid Priſon: And whereas there is great Reaſon to believe, from the Circumſtances attending the ſaid Eſcape, that ſome Perſon or Perſons were privy to, and aiding and aſſiſting in the Eſcape of the ſaid James Moore, particularly ſome Perſon or Perſons in the ſaid Goal; His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice, the Perſon or Perſons privy to, or concerned in contriving, or in aiding and aſſiſting in the Eſcape of the ſaid James Moore, is pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon, (except the Perſon principally contriving or aiding and aſſiſting in the Eſcape of the ſaid James Moore, ſhould prove to be the Turnkey of the ſaid Priſon) to any one of them, who ſhall diſcover the Perſon or Perſons privy to, or concerned in contriving or aiding and aſſiſting in the Eſcape of the ſaid James Moore, ſo that he, ſhe, or they, concerned therein, may be apprehended and convicted thereof; And His Majeſty does alſo farther promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon, to any Accomplice of the ſaid James Moore, who ſhall retake, or cauſe to be retaken, the ſaid James Moore, ſo that he may be convicted of the Offence with which he ſtands charged. H. FOX.

And, as a farther Encouragement, I John Maffett, Gent. at the Gatehouſe Weſtminſter, do hereby promiſe a Reward of Twenty Pounds to any Perſon or Perſons apprehending and bringing to Juſtice the ſaid James Moore, to be paid upon his Conviction.

John Maffett.

N. B. The ſaid James Moore is about five Feet eight Inches high, inclined to be thin, his Hands and Face much pitted with the Small Pox, of a browniſh Complexion, about Nineteen Years old, tho' he appears to be about Twenty ſix, Left Handed, his right Hand lamiſh, wore his own ſhort curled Hair, of a lightiſh Brown, was born at Bagſhot in Surry, had on when he made his Eſcape a whitiſh coloured Surtout Coat, with two Patches near the Waiſt behind, two Waſtcoats, one red and white Cherry Derry, with wrought Braſs Buttons, the other Linnen, dirty Leather Breeches, black rib'd Stockings, White Metal Buckles, and a tolerable good Hat flaped, wore a Neckcloth, and had brown Fuſtian Sleeves with two red Worſted Buttons. He had in his Pocket, ſealed in a Piece of Paper, the Will and Power of Thomas Kirke, belonging to the Ramillies Man of War; dated in March 1755.

Whereas on the 27th Day of June laſt paſt, George Blight, an Officer to the Sheriff of the County of Cornwall, (being in the Execution of his Office, levying a Sum of Money on the Goods and Chattles of John Cock, of Endellian in the ſaid County, Eſq; by Virtue of the ſaid Sheriff's Warrant, on a Writ of fieri facias, iſſued out of His Majeſty's Court of Common Pleas, at Weſtminſter, at the Suit of Arundell Cock, Gent.) was barbarouſly Murdered by a Shot received from a Gun, fired at him by the ſaid John Cock, and that at the laſt Aſſizes held for the ſaid County, a Bill of Indictment was found againſt the ſaid John Cock, for the ſaid Murder; and that notwithſtanding legal Proceſſes have been iſſued on the ſaid Indictment, and all poſſible Endeavours uſed for apprehending and bringing to Juſtice the ſaid John Cock, the ſame have hitherto proved ineffectual; and the ſaid John Cock, being invironed and protected by a Sett of Smugglers and other deſperate Perſons, there is great Reaſon to believe that he will not be apprehended by the ordinary Courſe of Law: In order for the more ſpeedy apprehending and bringing to Juſtice him the ſaid John Cock, a Reward of One Hundred Pounds is hereby offered to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall apprehend him the ſaid John Cock, and get him ſecured in one of His Majeſty's Goals within the Kingdom of England; the ſaid Reward to be paid by Mr. John Wallis, Junior, of Camelford in the ſaid County, on the ſaid John Cock's being tried and convicted of the ſaid Murder.

Feb. 1756. John Wallis, *Jun.*

Admiralty Office, February 24, 1756.

WHereas ſeven Men belonging to His Majeſty's Sloop the Swallow, whoſe Names, Deſcriptions and Places of Abode are hereafter mentioned, did lately deſert from the ſaid Sloop, when at Sheerneſs, and took with them the Yawl, in which they were ſeen by the Maſter of a Cuſtom Houſe Sloop in Hoaſley Bay on the 21ſt Inſtant, rowing down towards him, but upon obſerving his Veſſel, ſuddenly run the Yawl aſhore againſt Bardſey Cliffe, where they left her; The Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty do dereby promiſe a Reward of Five Guineas for the apprehending and ſecuring each of the ſaid Deſerters, and giving Notice thereof to me at this Office, that they may be tryed at a Court Martial for the ſame.

Allen Bayley, a ſingle Man, 35 Years of Age, 5 Feet, 8 Inches high, of a pale Complexion, ſomewhat Pockt-fretten, has a remarkable Blemiſh in his left Eye, ſquare Shoulder'd, his right Leg ſomewhat ſhorter than the left, limps a little, wears a Wig, born at Market Wheeton in Yorkſhire, and dwells with his Mother at that Place.

George Parham, a ſingle Man, 26 Years of Age, 5 Feet 9 Inches high, of a ſandy Complexion, wears a Wig or Cap, ſtoops in his Gate, wore a white Flannel Jacket with black Buttons, born at Buly in Hampſhire, and lives there with Robert Fips.

Robert Black, a ſingle Man, 18 Years of Age, 5 Feet 2 Inches high, of a dark brown Complexion, round Face, wears a Wig, or round Dutch Sailor's Cap, with a blue Jacket, and wide Fiſherman's Breeches, lives with his Father-in-Law Addiſon in Red Lyon ſtreet, Wapping, Maſter of a Maryland Trader, or with Robert Biks, Waterman, in Shadwell.

William